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Legislative Assembly Question- Appointment of lady doctors in maternity hospitals- Papers recorded.

Extract of the proceedings of the Legislative Assembly held on 16. 9. 1947.

Lady doctors in the Maternity Hospitals.

24. Q. BEGUM SULTAN MIR AMIRUDDIN:- Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state what steps the present Government intend to take in the matter of appointing more lady doctors in the Maternity Hospitals of this Province?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:- "The Government have recently sanctioned the employment of a Woman Sub-Assistant Surgeon in the Government Women and Children Hospital, Calicut, They will consider the question of employing a Woman Assistant Surgeon in the same hospital in connexion with the budget for 1948-49. The question of appointing more Women Medical Officers in the Maternity hospitals will be considered as and when necessity arises."

BEGUL SULTAN MIR AMIRUDDIN:- " In view of the fact that the majority of India Women are opposed to being treated by men gymaecologists and obstetricians, will the Government do their best to see that the majority of medical officers in all maternity hospitals not only in the City but throughout the Province are Women?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:- " I have still my doubt whether the majority of Indian Women have a preference like that. Still I may say that the appointment of more women medical officers in all maternity hospitals is under the consideration of the Glvernment".

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:- "May I ask, Sir, whether the Resident Medical Officer of the Maternity Hospital here is a lady or gentleman?".

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:- " I am speaking subject to Correction, Sir, My recollection is that he is not a lady". (Laughter)

M. Muhammad Ismail Sahib Bahadur:- "May I know, Sir, what militates at present against the appointment of more Women doctors in these maternity hospitals?"

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON:- "Dearth of Women Doctors."

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